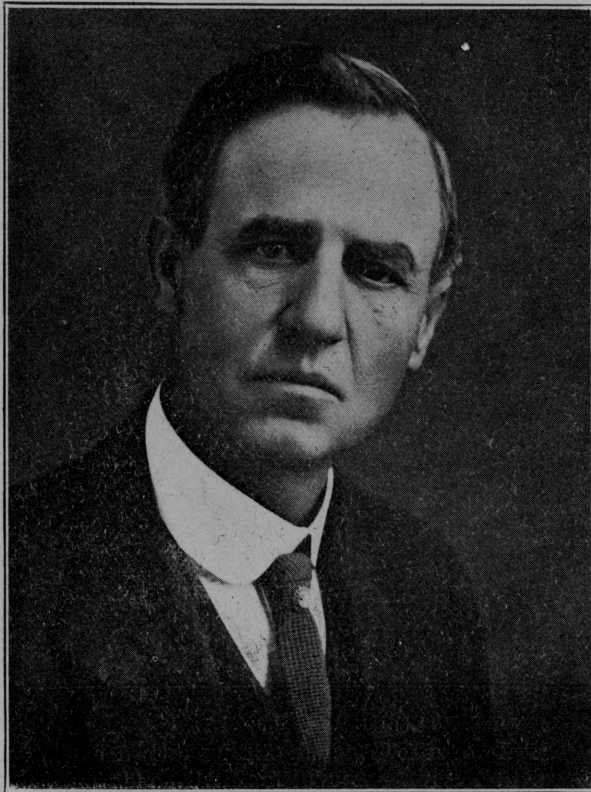


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CHANCELLOR KIRKLAND OF VANDERBILT SPEAKS ON THE FUTURE OF ALUMNI WORK.

You college men who come from all over the country make a notable gathering. It is a fine list of institutions represented, extending all the way across our country; it brings to me many memories, many associations. You know I am beginning to boast a little of the fact that I have helped to inaugurate presidents, or been at celebrations where presidents were inaugurated, at almost every institution of distinction in this country. There are very few college presidents that have served one institution as long as I have served this one; so that I am somewhat familiar with the institutions you come from, and I want to assure you of a very hearty welcome. You ought to feel very much at home, from the fact that you find us in the midst of a campaign to raise money.

You will be interested in knowing that we are reaching the closing days of a very intense campaign in the city of Nashville. We have until the first of January to complete projects that will secure for us a million dollars endowment for the College of Arts and Sciences.

Now to try to force myself away from

the active campaign in which we have all been engaged, is rather difficult. To collect my thoughts for any worthy discussion of the subjects that must come before you in the next few days is not easy under the circumstances. I shall trespass on your time only long enough to indicate certain lines of activity that it seems to me the alumni must assume toward any institution.

Four Lines of Activity.

There are four particular lines of activity, it seems to me, where the influence of alumni in the coming years is destined to be felt more extensively than in the past.

The financial side of every institution is one that is of the first importance, because everything else is conditioned on that. No one will pretend for one moment that an income of ten thousand dollars or fifty thousand dollars or a hundred thousand dollars per annum, is the supreme fact of life, or the supreme fact in college history; but we all agree that it is one fact on which is predicated all possible activity of an institution, all possible usefulness. There is no use talking about intellectual or spiritual values until you have cared for the material side. Now I need not emphasize the importance of this side to you men of the alumni office; all I wish to call to your attention is the fact that every institution, no matter how small, no matter where located, every institution is busying itself with the task of securing from the alumni a recognition of college needs. An institution that cannot rally to its financial assistance the men who have taken its degrees and whose diploma is their passport into the world, is in poor position to ask assistance from any others. It is not merely what the alumni give, it is the fact that they do give, that is of supreme importance. Now that is a truism; that is so evident that it does not need to be emphasized, save as it puts upon you and upon your office an obligation. You are not merely to secure assistance, but to secure universal assistance.

Alumni Interest in Athletics.

There is another field that alumni have been quite active in, and that is the field of athletics. Alumni have been more active there than perhaps in any other field. I presume that all of you find it easier to interest your alumni in athletics

than in any other branch of college life.

Too frequently alumni when they leave an institution and get out into the world forget the college point of view, the educational aspect of athletics, and become interested solely from the sporting standpoint. You know, gentlemen, you surely know that the history of college athletics for the past twenty years—well, let us leave out the past ten years—and go back twenty years—is not all creditable. You know very well that the activities of college alumni have not always been in keeping with the spirit of college life. Too often men have been hired to play on teams, and those men have generally had their wages paid by alumni. I do not hesitate to say to you that this has been a disgraceful chapter in our educational history which we ought to try to atone for. (Applause.) However, a better time is coming, has come, and I would therefore ask the alumni of all our educational institutions to help the faculties and to help the students and help the coaches to maintain high ideals in athletics. In my opinion, an institution cannot have a character any better than the character that is manifested in its athletic department. An institution that will permit the hiring of players cannot have much abiding authority, or any great influence over the lives of its students. (Applause.)

I would indicate another field in which alumni have been and still are very active and helpful, and that is in relation to fraternities. The problem of college fraternities is a constant one everywhere. Now fraternities are more amenable to influences brought to bear on them by alumni than they are to the influences brought to bear upon them by the faculty. And yet, you know that not all alumni have considered that a real obligation. You know that sometimes the alumni have come back on some great occasion, have taken possession of college houses, and have mingled with student life and have themselves been guilty of excesses and immoralities that would have severed their connection with the institution if they had been undergraduates. Now those are facts, and those things ought not to be. Rather should the alumni go to the chapter houses, talk to the boys, meet with them occasionally, uphold them in their regulations, and see that the general principles of life upon which fraternities should operate, are not violated. I regard that as a very high obligation that college alumni owe to students now in college.

Obligation of Alumni to Ideals of College.

The last point that I shall notice is the obligation of alumni toward the intellectual ideals of an institution. Now one would think that that ought to go without saying. I never heard of any group of alumni who were antagonistic to col-

lege requirements and were unappreciative of student scholarship; but there is room for a great deal more intelligent interest than has ever been manifested. Let me cite as an example of what I regard as very intelligent interest—that Amherst report of some years ago, when the alumni of Amherst drew up a program for such a college as Amherst. Now I do not say that everything in that program is right or should have been followed, but what I commend is the intelligent wrestling with that problem on the part of a group of Amherst graduates. That was highly stimulating and very encouraging.

I have an idea, gentlemen, that in the years to come our institutions ought to be differentiated more, they ought to stand for some one thing. We have too slavishly followed each other. We have simply considered one institution to be just a little better, just a little bigger, and we have followed fashions, thus securing a uniformity that to my mind is not desirable. It seems that we are lacking in originality, and we deserve the reproach that we are academic. We do not seize our problems and work them out. Now I look to the time when institutions will try to differentiate their work, when one institution may be known as a strictly classical college, when another institution will emphasize the relation of education to commercial life, and others emphasize other activities.

Now, gentlemen, these are things that occur to me as some of the great tasks of alumni in future years, and these things must be done through your offices. I would have you take a wider view of your obligations than simply to act as agents for raising money or as a bureau to send out press notices for football contests. I would have you take as your ideal the possibility of so organizing the alumni that all of the best they have, the strongest influences they wield, may be exercised for the uplift of the institutions you represent. That to my mind is the new task for college secretaries. We are just beginning to realize the possibility of this situation. Colleges will give more authority and more funds to operate with if you meet your responsibilities in this matter. Those responsibilities from my point of view are very great. It was more than a joke when I said to a few of you who kindly called by my office this afternoon, that the day was coming when the management of our institutions would not be in the hands of the president, but in the hands of the alumni secretary. The alumni office is now, and always ought to be, a throne of power. (Prolonged applause.)

(An address by Chancellor Kirkland, of Vanderbilt, before the Association of Alumni Secretaries. Reprinted from the Vanderbilt Alumnus.—Ed.)

MANY REUNIONS PLANNED FOR 1917 COMMENCEMENT.

Nineteen-seventeen is to be a big reunion year at Auburn, and the classes of 1867, 1872, 1877, 1882, 1887, 1892, 1897, 1902, 1907, and 1912 are to hold reunions during Commencement Week. In addition to the class reunions, the "Old Guard" reunion has been called. The "Old Guard" organization was effected at the 1913 Home-Coming, and consists of all men who attended Auburn more than twenty-five years ago.

The addresses of the following alumni are published for the convenience of alumni who wish to get in personal touch with their classmates with a view to having a real class reunion. The list only includes the men who graduated, though all members of the classes have been invited to participate in the various class reunions. THE ALUMNUS will gladly publish the names and addresses of former students of reunion year classes if they are furnished us, but our files at present only include the names of graduates:

1867.

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1872.

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1877.

Samuel C. Riddle, Farmersville, Texas.

Charles Coleman Thach, Auburn, Ala.

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1882.

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Roger ap Catesby Jones, Selma, Ala.

George Holt Lamar, Rockville, Md.

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Wilson H. Newman.

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Thomas Ganaway Conner, Andalusia, Ala.

George Leonard Faucett, Gadsden, Ala.

William A. Fitzgerald, Omaha, Ga.

Gaston Greil, Montgomery, Ala.
 John Fletcher Heard, Postal Telegraph Co., Atlanta, Ga.
 Joseph Herzfeld, West Point, Ga.
 William Welch Hill, Auburn, Ala.
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 Collins James Johnson, T. C. I. and R. Co., Blocton, Ala.

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 D. O. Browning, LaGrange, Ga.
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 J. M. Luke, Greenville, Ala.
 M. E. Meadows, Fort Valley, Ga.
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AUBURN MEN ON THE BORDER WITH THE ALABAMA INFANTRY.

When President Wilson called the National Guard for service on the border,

former Auburn students forsook their labors and enlisted with the colors. Though they have not won honors in the conflict of battle, they have earned deserved praise for their loyalty and willingness to serve.

There are few men in Alabama who should be more honored than the four thousand boys who are giving their time and talents to the Government of the United States.

That Auburn should be well represented in this service, with her sons ranking from the private to the colonel, was to have been expected as the military training here has aimed at the training of men for service.

Among the Auburn men at Nogales, Arizona, we note the following:

In the First Regiment:

Lieutenant Colonel H. N. Coleman, Lieutenant George L. Moulton, Lieutenant Jno. K. Haynie, Regimental Supply Sergeant G. G. Stimpson, Sergeants Howard Thames, Leon T. Weaver, R. B. Ellyson, Musician Robert Ellis, Corporals Wm. B. McAtee, B. G. Rushing, Privates W. B. Erickson, Joe Edgar Pugh Hayes and Staton Possien.

In the Second Regiment:

Captain Boylston D. Smith, Captain Earle O. Sandlin, Lieutenant and Battalion Adjutant Daniel Herren, Lieutenant J. H. Blake, Lieutenant Frank A. Hart, Supply Sergeants John L. Green, J. W. Gantt and W. C. Rivenbark, Sergeants Homer Gantt, Gordon H. Steele, Morton T. Ansley, Wm. G. Sherling and J. L. Blakely, Musician Harry Pippin, Corporals Eldridge Gay, Jesse M. Gantt and R. B. Ashe, Privates John F. Deer, Charles W. Breedlove, Gordon Robinson, Howard Bemiss and Clark Crosley.

In the Fourth Regiment:

Colonel E. H. Graves, Major H. A. Moon, Captain W. M. Peters, Lieutenant J. H. Powell, H. L. Griggs, O. W. Humphries and S. W. Harris, Bandmaster P. R. Bidez, Sergeant-Major J. A. Webb, Sergeants W. O. Parker and W. B. Smith, Corporal H. B. Dupree and Privates J. F. Vaughn, J. D. Monk and R. T. Sandlin.

On the Staff:

Major T. C. Locke.

BULLEN APPOINTED TO IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT POSITION.

J. T. Bullen, '92, has been appointed district engineer to the Federal office of public roads and rural engineering, and will have charge of the expenditure of the Federal road aid fund in the States of South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Florida, Tennessee and Mississippi.

Mr. Bullen has established headquarters in Montgomery, and will serve the territory noted above, known officially as District No. 8, from that point.

Mr. Bullen was for some time County Engineer of Montgomery County, and resigned the position to take up some important road work in Louisiana. He has more recently been in West Virginia, where he was engaged in the construction of highways.

Mr. Bullen received the degree of C. E. at Auburn in 1901, and his work in supervising highway construction throughout the South eminently qualified him to direct the expenditure fund which the Federal Government has allotted to this district.

MARTIN J. LIDE HONORED.

Martin J. Lide, '02, of Birmingham, Ala., was recently elected president of the Alabama Technical Association, an organization made up of members of State and National Engineering Societies, including chemists and architects, civil, mining, electrical and mechanical engineers.

INTERPRETATIONS.

CLARENCE N. OUSLEY, '81.

Formerly Chairman of the Board of Regents, the University of Texas; now Director of Extension, Texas A. & M. College.

A TITAN'S GRAVE.

(Grand Canyon of Arizona.)

High in the hills everlasting,
Under the western sun,
In the keep of the sentinal desert,
In the peace of a task that is done,
Some Titan has digged him a sepulcher,
Sheer-walled and frowning and dread,
And hushed as the calm of the ocean
When the winds and the tides are dead.
With storms and with torrents he digged
it—

As the flotsam of centuries whirled;
Deep as the earth's foundation
And wide as the wound of a world;
Gaping, abysmal, majestic,
Broidered with green and white gold;
Red-turreted, fortified and templed,
And as old as the eons are old.
The sky comes down to the rim of it—
Canopied, curtained, serene;
The haze hangs low in the midst of it,
A purple, impalpable sheen;
And down in the uttermost depths of it
Darkly the red waters run
In the cool of the shade and the silence
Where morning and evening are one.
And here when the last leaf has fallen,
And the desert creeps over the hills,
When Solitude sits in the highway,
And all its vain fretfulness stills,
The Titan will rest in a glory—
Unbroken, unrivaled, sublime,
And sleep the long sleep of the Mighty
Throughout the vast cycles of time,

THE DELECTABLE MOUNTAINS.

(Yellowstone National Park.)

In his distant delectable mountains,
The Lord God pondered some while;
The earth in its fulness was beauteous,
But man in His image was vile.
The flowers grew sweeter in fragrance,
The creatures more noble in breed,
But he unto whom was dominion
Grovelled in passion and greed.
The Lord God in sorrow and anger,
The torch of his lightning ablaze,
Laid waste His delectable mountains
And filled His high courts with amaze,
Till the roar and the flames made alarm
That seemed to the living their knell,
And the hills poured into the valleys
The sulphurous vomit of hell.
In mercy the Lord God relented—
The breath of forgiving was cool—
And again the delectable mountains
Are jeweled with river and pool.
The valleys are sprinkled with color,
The hillsides remantled in green,
The creatures come mating and gentle,
And man walks loving between.
And ever from gulches and basins
The waters in violence flow
In steaming-hot cauldrons and columns
Expelled from the fires below;
For Nature is law and is changeless—
Eternal the truth of the Word—
And mercy and wrath in due order
Alike are the law of the Lord.

—Reprinted from the *Alcalde*.

THE COLUMBUS, GEORGIA ALUMNI.

An organization of Auburn men that escaped the notice of the Alumnus News editor last fall, but which bids fair to mean much for Auburn, was the organization of the Columbus, Georgia Chapter of the Auburn Alumni Association.

The organization was effected primarily to stimulate interest in the Auburn-Georgia football game, but the Auburn graduates assembled were so enthusiastic and so representative, that a permanent organization was effected. President Thomas Bragg and Secretary J. B. Lovelace were present at the meeting of Auburn men, and Mr. Bragg outlined plans for a permanent and effective organization.

Mr. J. P. Illges, Secretary and Treasurer of Golden's Foundry, was elected President of the Association and Emmett Cook was elected Secretary.

Among the alumni who registered were the following:

F. J. Dudley, '81, J. P. Illges, '00, J. W. Woodruff, W. T. Heard, '02, C. S. Grimes, '14, J. T. Cooper, Jr., '08, F. M. Jenkins, '01, Geo. J. Golden, '07, Charles Howard, '95, Gordon Flournoy, '08, F. J. Dudley, Jr., H. J. Dudley, '12, Josiah Flournoy,

Jr., '05, Geo. B. Phillips, H. P. Mullin, J. W. Mullin, B. G. Jennings, '95, Hugh Bickerstaff, '95, Dudley Chipley, '03, Ralph Dudley, '05, A. L. Brooks, '12.

O. H. CRITTENDEN DEAD.

News of the death of Oliver H. Crittenden, '81, which occurred Saturday night, Feb. 3rd, was received with sorrow in Auburn where Mr. Crittenden was well known and admired. Mr. Crittenden was born near Notasulga, Ala., and was a student at Auburn, graduating in the class of 1881, and taking the C. E. degree in 1883. He was prominent in his profession, being chief engineer of the International and Great Northern Railway. He was ever loyal to Auburn, and was one of the original boosters for the great Auburn "Home Coming" in 1913.

The following excerpt is from the Houston Post of Feb. 4th:

Oliver Howell Crittenden, chief engineer of the International and Great Northern Railway, died Saturday night at 9:40 o'clock at his home, 1203 Crawford Street, after a brief illness.

Mr. Crittenden was born in Lee County, Ala., February 20, 1861, and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Crittenden. He finished his school education at the age of 16, and entered the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Alabama, at Auburn. He graduated from the College in 1881 with degree of bachelor of engineering.

For 15 years after he completed his college work he was employed in the capacity of locating and resident engineer on the construction of the Louisville and Nashville, Queen and Crescent, Illinois Central, Frisco, and Seaboard Air Line Railroads. He also held a number of responsible positions for the Kansas City Southern Railway, before accepting a position with the International and Great Northern Railway in 1903.

Upon becoming an employe of the International and Great Northern Railway he was made assistant engineer. In 1905 he was placed in charge of the construction of the new terminals for the company here, and has remained in Houston since.

The terminals were completed in 1906 and Mr. Crittenden was rewarded for his services by being made chief engineer for the company, which position he held at the time of his death.

He is survived by his widow, four sons, Otis, Frank, Billie and Trammell Crittenden, and two daughters, Misses Lucile and Minnette Crittenden.

THE LETTER BOX.

Editor,

The Auburn Alumnus,
Auburn, Ala.

Dear Sir:

Your appeal in the December issue of the Alumnus in regard to the collection of facts and other things about the literary societies provokes interest, renewed recollections, and elicits responses.

During the halcyon days when the writer was a member of the Wirt Literary Society, there were too great inequalities between the Wirt and Websterian societies. At that time the Websterian Society had about 75 per cent of all students belonging to the societies, had a nicely carpeted hall, many beautiful pictures on the wall, a fairly good library, and a good social standing among its members. The hall of the Wirt Society had a bare floor, practically no pictures on the wall, no library, no money, but a few good stand-bys of the type of Lloyd Tate, who for several years put the "Webs" to flight in every public debate held. We leave it to the alumni of that time as to why this was true.

Thinking to augment our material comforts, decorations, etc., the writer, as secretary of the Wirt Society, was instructed to send out five hundred circular letters to the alumni, and other public spirited and wealthy citizens of the United States who might send us checks varying in amounts from one to one hundred dollars with which to equip our hall.

The first check, received in about three days, was one for \$5.00 from Hon. Frank C. Dillard, of Texas. This exactly paid for the postage of the circulars sent out, and gave us bright hopes of checks coming in by the wholesale. The writer was thinking of employing an assistant to help handle these checks, but wise council advised waiting a few days until we ascertained just how great the burden would be. Waiting days grew into weeks, weeks into months, and when Commencement came around not a single other check had been received. There was one consolation, however, and that was it might have been worse.

It is very gratifying indeed, to know that there is now a better and more substantial interest among the alumni in regard to the welfare of the literary societies. We have read, with great interest, Prof. Ross' address to the Wirt Literary Society recently.

We endorse also the principles discussed in the last issue of the Alumnus in regard to the director of athletics being a full member of the faculty. This, of course, is indication of the standard set by Auburn in regard to athletics.

Very sincerely yours,

C. R. Hudson, '04.

LETTER FROM ARMY TRAINING POST.

In a letter to Col. B. S. Patrick, Professor of Mathematics at Auburn, Edward Allen, '14, gives some interesting facts concerning the life at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, where Uncle Sam is training his Lieutenants, recently appointed from civilian life, for actual duty. The letter follows:

Dear Colonel:

The course of instruction that we are receiving here is in some ways similar to that given in the Summer Training Camps, except that it seems to have for the main idea the fitting us for instructors. We are paying close attention to the close order drills, not only so that we may execute them, but that we may be able to explain them to the recruit. There is certainly a difference. We have been formed into a provisional battalion of four companies whose officers are appointed from among us for a short period of time when new ones take their place. Each company has assigned to it as instructors two captains who act really as tactical officers.

Our day begins at six in the morning, and lasts until nine at night, when tattoo sounds. During the day we have classes and drills. In the classes we are studying sanitation, military topography, military art and equitation, with frequent lectures by the officers on different subjects. On the whole it is very interesting.

We have been informed by the War Department that a satisfactory report on our work here will be taken in lieu of the

promotion examination from second to first lieutenant. This means that with luck, we will all be first lieutenants by July 1st.

Edward A. Allen,
2nd Lieutenant, 17th U. S. Inf.

ENGAGEMENTS. ALLEN-MONTGOMERY.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Cecil Appleby announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their sister, Gene Montgomery to Mr. Charles Robertson Allen, of Charleston, S. C.

Mr. Allen was a prominent member of the class of 1910, and has succeeded in the brokerage business with his principal office in Charleston, and branch offices in Augusta and Savannah, Georgia.

MARRIAGES. KOCH-COCKE.

Pieter Koch, of Elsenburg, Cape Province, Africa, was married on January 3rd, 1917, to Miss Kathleen C. Cocks, at Bloemfontein Cathedral, Grootkuil Estate, Theunissen, O. F. S.

Mr. Koch was a graduate of Auburn of the class of 1912. He came to Auburn on a scholarship given by the Government of South Africa.

PARRISH-DUNN.

Guy Ashley Parrish and Miss Ethel Dunn, daughter of Mrs. Frances Maris Dunn, of Thomasville, Ala., were married on the 23rd of January.

Dr. Parrish is a graduate of Auburn of the class of 1915, and is practicing veterinary medicine at Adel, Ala.

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